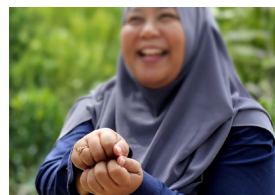


EMPLOYMENT WORKGROUP

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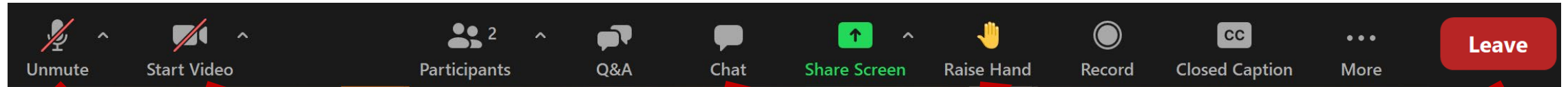


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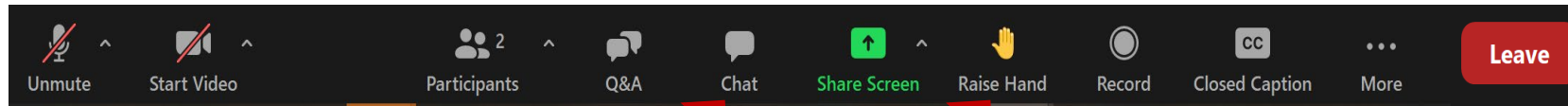
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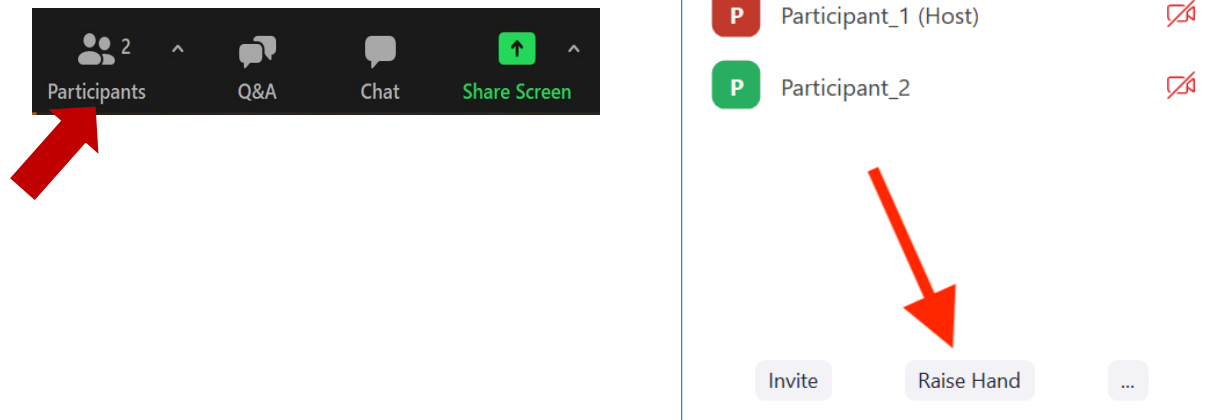
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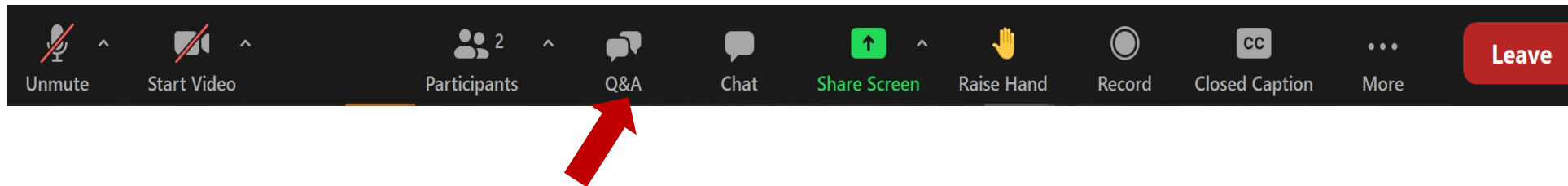


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AGENDA

- I. Welcome & Introductions**
- II. Workgroup Purpose**
- III. Current Initiatives/Efforts to Advance Employment**
- IV. Discussion**
- V. Closing Comments**

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WORKGROUP PURPOSE

Provide recommendations to:

- Improve access to services that lead to Competitive Integrated Employment
- Increase pathways to employment
- Improve employment outcomes



EFFORTS TO ADVANCE EMPLOYMENT

- Paid Internship Program (PIP)
- Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE) Incentive Payments
- Employment Grants
- CIE Blueprint
 - Local Partnership Agreements
- Direct Service Professional (DSP) Workforce Training and Development
- DSP Bilingual Differential
- Regional Center Employment Specialists
- Community Placement Plan/Community Resource Development Plan (CPP/CRDP)

DISCUSSION

- 1. What data or information might be helpful to inform the work of this group?**
- 2. Do you have any input or recommendations for the Employment Workgroup focus?**
- 3. Workgroup priorities**

NEXT STEPS

Save the Dates for 2022 (Tentative Schedule)

- **January 24**
 - What are the various pathways to employment?
 - Which pathways seem the most successful?
 - What are the barriers to Competitive Integrated Employment (CIE)?
- **February 28**
- **March 28**
- **April 25**
- **May 23**

CLOSING COMMENTS

